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In response to the Office Action mailed October 23, 2002, please accept the attached corrected drawing and consider the following remarks:

Drawings:

The corrected drawing is attached to this Office Action as requested by the Examiner.

Claim Rejections:

Independent claims 11 and 16 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Goodman in view of Masaki, et al. Both independent claims 11 and 16 call for providing an on-going count of bits transmitted and time elapsed from the point and time when a first marker is transmitted. The Examiner concedes that Goodman does not teach this limitation. It is respectfully submitted Masaki also does not teach this limitation.

Masaki discloses a way to control retransmission using a video coding device 150 that transmits a block of coded data to a base station 152. See column 73, lines 56-57; Figure 9. The base station 152 sends the data to a second base station 153, which then transmits the data to the video decoding device 151. See column 74, lines 1-3. Thus, a data block is transmitted from the

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